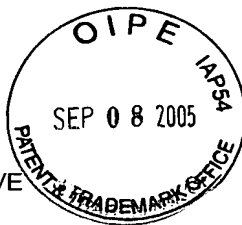


In re Application of: Irving C. Erickson et al.
 Application No. 10/702,420
 Filed: November 6, 2003
 For: BALANCED GLOBE VALVE



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- ☐ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3505 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☐ Other:
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TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE				One-month	\$ 0.00		\$110.00		
		subtract time extension fee previously paid		none	(\$ 0.00)		(\$ 0.00)		
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3505.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2005, which was made final, entry of the following amendment, reconsideration of this application and indication of the allowability of all claims pending therein are respectfully solicited.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8			
I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and all accompanying documents are, on the date indicated below, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or <input type="checkbox"/> being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Attention: Examiner _____, Art Unit _____, Facsimile Number _____.			
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